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EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1

DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED] 25X1

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PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) [REDACTED]

REMARKS Excerpts of paragraphs 1 and 2 were previously reported [REDACTED] 25X1

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1. On 25 and 26 June 1953, Soviet dependents left Luebben. [REDACTED] an undetermined number of tanks left Cottbus toward east.¹ At 6 p.m. on 25 June, martial law was lifted in Luebbenau. 25X1
 2. On 2 July, 25 T-34/85 tanks, [REDACTED] were seen en route from the direction of Justerbog toward Klein Beuthen. Field-wire laying was observed on the Klein Beuthen-Slethen road. [REDACTED] About 500 infantrymen were in the woods between Slethen and Ludwigsfelde.² 25X1
 3. The previously reported engineer exercise on the Elbe River near kilometer mark 207 was completed. At 8 p.m. on 7 July, the units returned by road to their quarters in Apollensdorf. The bulk of the units was quartered in 40 tents. Boards were cut with frame saws. The engineer equipment depot was about 500 meters west of the camp on the Elbe River. [REDACTED] 25X1
 4. On 5 and 6 July, two trains carrying tanks and two other trains carrying artillery pieces of about 150-mm passed through Mehringen, coming from Sangerhausen and proceeding toward Guesten.⁴ 25X1
 5. At noon on 10 July, 6 x 122-mm field guns, an undetermined number of 76.2-mm field guns, 2 sedans, 1 field kitchen and about 25 trucks [REDACTED] 25X1
- 25X1 [REDACTED] were entrained at Justerbog-Altes Lager.³

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1. [REDACTED] Comment. The tanks observed possibly belonged to the 9th Mecz Div. The division was alerted on 17 June in the Forst Tauer training camp and was no longer observed there until about 26 June.

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2. [REDACTED] Comment. The tanks presumably belong to the 14th Gds Mecz Div and the motor vehicles [REDACTED] to the GOFG.

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3. [REDACTED] Comment.

. The motor vehicles observed belong to the 35th Engr Regt (US), the 148th Engr Bn (US) of the 14th Gds Mecz Div, the 6th Gds Tank Div and the 62d

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AAA Div. As elements of the 121st Gds Engr Bn of the 7th Gds Tank Div also transferred from Letzling Heath to Coswig on 30 July, there is reason to believe that elements of the almost all engineer units of the Third Gds Mecz Army participated in this exercise.

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4. Comment. Presumably units of the Eighth Gds Army which, with tanks, possibly went to Letzling Heath and, with artillery, to Altengrabow or Dessau. on 6 July AAA shipments went in the opposite direction.

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5. Comment. Artillery units of the 14th Gds Mecz Div were being entrained.

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